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SUBJECT: POSSIBLE HIGH ENERGY GENERATOR

1. SUMMARY: PURPOSE OF THIS TELEGRAM IS TO INFORM YOU OF A POTENTIALLY IMPORTANT ENERGY DEVELOPMENT WHICH DAO, POL/MIL AND SCI HAVE BEEN INVESTIGATING FOR THE LAST TWO MONTHS.

2. IN JULY 1976, THE SCICOUNS WAS APPROACHED BY DR. LORENZO GORINI WHO STATED THAT HE KNEW OF A GROUP OF SCIENTISTS (NATIONALLY UNKNOWN) WHO HAD INVENTED A PRACTICAL METHOD OF GENERATING ENERGY AT A MAGNITUDE GREATER THAN NUCLEAR ENERGY. HE PROPOSED THAT SCICOUNS MEET WITH ONE OF HIS COLLEAGUES WHO HAD DIRECT CONTACT WITH THE GROUP.

3. SCICOUNS THEN WITNESSED A VIDEO TAPE OF A DEMONSTRATION OF A MACHINE THAT APPEARED TO BE APPROX 30X18X24 INCHES WITH A PROTRUDING LENS-LIKE BARREL. A SOLID CYLINDER IRON TARGET OF ABOUT 2X8 INCHES WAS PLACED APPROX 50 FEET FROM THE MACHINE. THERE WAS A WHIRRING SOUND, A SMALL PUFF OF WHITE SMOKE, AND INSTANTANEOUSLY THE IRON SAMPLE MELTED. THE DESTRUCTION OF OTHER MATERIALS WAS DEMONSTRATED WITH EQUAL DRAMA.

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4. THE EMBASSY DETERMINED THAT USAF INTELLIGENCE (AFIN) FURNISHED SAMPLES SHOULD BE PROVIDED FOR CONTROLLED TESTING. SUBSEQUENTLY THE FOREIGN TECHNOLOGY DIV. OF THE AIR FORCE FURNISHED SAMPLES OF VARIOUS MATERIALS SUCH AS GLASS, TILE, IRON, ETC. A PHYSICIST FROM THE AIR FORCE AND SCICOUNS OBSERVED THE VIDEO TAPE OF THE TEST AND WERE IMPRESSED. THE VIDEO TAPE, SAMPLES AND A PROPOSED CONTRACT WERE THEN SHIPPED TO AFIN IN WASHINGTON FOR STUDY. THE CONTRACT PROPOSAL BASICALLY ASKS FOR A 20-MILLION DOLLAR GOOD FAITH DEPOSIT IN A NATIONAL BANK FOR A CONTROLLED, COMPLETELY INSTRUMENTED TEST TO OUR SPECIFICATIONS WHICH WOULD, IF COMPLETELY SATISFACTORY TO THE U.S. OBSERVERS, BE THE CATALYST FOR A COMMITMENT TO ESTABLISH A COMPANY SOMEWHERE BETWEEN SWITZERLAND AND ITALY TO ENGINEER THE DEVICE INTO A PRODUCTION SYSTEM.

5. INITIAL REPORTS FROM AFIN INDICATED THAT THE SYSTEM WAS NOT LIKELY FRAUDULENT. RECENTLY, HOWEVER, FURTHER REPORTS HAVE ALTERNATED BETWEEN ENTHUSIASTIC INTEREST AND DISAPPOINTMENT.

6. SCICOUNS MET WITH DR. MASSIMO PUGLIESE AND DR. PELLIZZIA (SP) (A TECHNICAL MEMBER OF THE GROUP) ON SEPTEMBER 16 TO TRANSMIT AFIN'S URGENT REQUEST OF SEPTEMBER 15 TO PERMIT FOUR AMERICAN OBSERVERS TO WITNESS A SINGLE LIVE TEST OF AMERICAN-SUPPLIED MATERIALS WHICH, IF SATISFACTORY, WOULD RESULT IN START OF CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS BUT NOT THE COMPLETE COMMITMENT THE GROUP PROPOSED IN THE ORIGINAL CONTRACT PROPOSAL.

7. COMMENT: CLEARLY THE BONA FIDES OF THIS INSTRUMENT HAVE NOT BEEN ESTABLISHED. BUT THE GROUP'S WILLINGNESS TO PERMIT AMERICAN OBSERVERS WITH AMERICAN SAMPLES TO OBSERVE A LIVE TEST SUGGESTS THAT IT MERITS SERIOUS CONSIDERATION. WITHOUT BENEFIT OF SPECTRAL ANALYSIS OR LABORATORY TESTS OF ANY KIND, WE BELIEVE SUCH A SYSTEM COULD BE BASED ON CHARGED PARTICLE BEAMS TECHNOLOGY SUCH AS THE NEGATIVE HYDROGEN BEAM BEING DEVELOPED AT LOS ALAMOS OR THE PROTON BEAM GENERATED BY AN AUTO-RESONANT ACCELERATOR SUCH AS BEING DEVELOPED BY AUSTIN ASSOCIATES. AN OTHER TECHNIQUE MAY BE THE USE OF A PARTICLE ACCELERATOR TECHNOLOGY TO PRODUCE HIGH ENERGY HEAVY-ION BEAMS. SHOULD THERE PROVE TO BE ANYTHING OF SUBSTANCE IN THE
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PERFORMANCE OF THIS INVENTION, THERE COULD OBVIOUSLY BE SIGNIFICANT FOREIGN POLICY (AND MILITARY) IMPLICATIONS. OES MAY WISH, TOGETHER WITH P/M TO ARRANGE FOR APPROPRIATE BRIEFINGS THROUGH THE DIRECTOR OF AIR FORCE INTELLIGENCE. BEAUDRY

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